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(check one) ☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on May 22, 2000 as Application Serial No. 09/576,652 and which claims benefit of U.S. Patent application with Serial No. 09/271,997 ("Multiple Satellite Mobile Communications Method and Apparatus for Hand-Held Terminals") filed on March 18, 1999.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by an amendment referred to above.

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